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CURRENT TOPICS

PENNSYLVANIA'S potato crop is rotting. Fall millinery is to be gay with old gold and bright scarlet.

NEW JERSEY cranberry crop is one of the largest ever known.

THE Hessian fly has greatly damaged the English wheat crop.

THE collages were never so full, as a rule, as they will be this year.

A colored man of Mount Pulaski, Ill., is turning white by degrees.

A Georgia orator compared his candidate to "a cyclone with spurs on."

THE war with Geronimo is over, and that cut-throat is on his way to Florida.

IT is proposed to sink an artesian well in each township in Bruce County, Dak.

THE Mississippi river has not been lower in years than it has been this summer.

MRS. MARK HOPKINS' house in Great Barrington, Mass., will cost nearly \$3,000,000.

CRATER LAKE, in Southern Oregon, is over 3,000 feet deep, the deepest in America.

E. B. H. Norton, candidate for sheriff of Blaine County, Minn., is eighty years old.

THE crowd at the large watering places has vanished as if by the touch of a magic wand.

PHILANTHROPIST CORCORAN, of Washington, has sent \$5,000 to the Charleston sufferers.

MILLIONAIRE Walters, of Baltimore, paid \$2,500 for an orchid in New York a few days ago.

A slab of marble with fitting record has been put on Christopher Columbus' house at Havana.

TINY violins, enameled in perfect imitation of their prototype, are a passing fancy for lace pins.

THE Philadelphia ministers are discussing the problem of "how to keep the congregation awake."

MR. B. LESSEPS, they say, bathes in a room which cost something over forty thousand francs.

THE snow is deep among the mountains in Arizona Oregon that teams can not travel with safety.

AN old lady in Brookland, N. Y., predicts a war because there are so many boy babies in the country.

M. DOYLE swam fifteen miles in two hours and forty-seven minutes at New York the other day.

A NATIONAL marriage and divorce law has been suggested as the best weapon to use against polygamy.

SQUIRRELS and quail are plentiful in Western Pennsylvania this fall, and there are quite a number of partridges.

AN Indian runner recently traveled from the Cape of Good Hope, a distance of seventy-five miles, in seven hours.

NEW corn of good quality is being hauled into Des Moines, Ia., in wagon-loads, and sells at twenty-five cents per bushel.

THE White House, during the absence of the President in the Adirondacks, has been renovated and put in complete repair.

SECRETARY BAYARD takes solitary horseback rides after his release from office duties, in the early part of the evening.

THE Winchester (Mass.) Leader predicts an early winter because migratory birds are going South a month earlier than usual.

THERE are 561,500 pensioners now on the rolls, and the Government has paid on that account near \$1,000,000,000 since the close of the war.

A GREAT scarcity of small bills is reported. Ones and twos have become a rarity, and the demand for fives is greater than the supply.

THE settlers on the Wontschie river, Washington Territory, have been raising sugar cane this season, and a mill has been secured to grind it.

THE chestnut-bell is despoiled by the minstrel end-man. When he hears it tinkle he becomes as funny as a funeral in a snow-storm. Ting-a-ling.

MRS. A. T. STEWART carries a unique article at Saratoga this summer in the shape of a card case, with a small watch in the center of the outside.

HIRAM SOUTHWARD, of Fairfax, Va., has a curiosity in a chicken with twelve toes, and he has a squash which measures six feet in circumference.

IT is so dry in the prairie-chicken country in New Mexico that hunters carry water out in jugs for the dogs and pans for the dogs to drink out of.

IT has frequently been stated, and never denied, that domestic service is poorer and more expensive in the United States than in any country in the world.

THE Comptroller of the Currency has imposed fines of \$100 each upon five national banks which have regularly been in forwarding monthly reports.

A RUINERICK man is engaged in a desperate effort to prove that the sea serpent seen in the Hudson by large and excited crowds was nothing but a big log.

SAN FRANCISCO papers are advertising a rat and squirrel poison that is said to have the excellent qualities of killing the animal, drying up its insides, and tanning the skin.

THE Smith family of New Jersey, held their annual reunion at the headwaters of the Raritan river recently. There were 8,000 Smiths—including 679 plain John Smiths—present.

KEY WEST, Fla., has a candidate for mayor who stands only twenty inches high and weighs twenty-eight and a half pounds. He is General Abe Sawyer, not much more than half as large as the famous Tom Thumb.

THERE died at St. Mary's hospital, Detroit, recently, from injuries, Isadore Myers, a man who has breathed through a tracheotomy tube for the past seven years. The tube was placed just below his "Adam's apple." When he spoke he was obliged to place his finger over the tube in order to get breath to produce sound.

FOREIGN NEWS

Egypt to be Seized and Proclaimed a Part of the British Empire.

As soon as England has accumulated enough force at Alexandria—Suez, the Italian Factor's Wonderful Drink.

PARIS, Sept. 15.—The *Republique Francaise* publishes a telegram from London which states that England meditates a grand coup d'etat, and will probably proclaim Egypt a British possession. They will, however, adds the *Republique Francaise*, do nothing until she has a sufficient force at Alexandria.

LONDON, Sept. 15.—Suez, the Italian factor, at Milan, will not divulge the secret of his African herb liquor, as he intends to take out a patent for it and expects to realize a few million francs profit from its sale. He claims that the liquor will become a staple drink among the poor. He says it will be sold cheap, so that a large family may be able to afford a few drops worth of liquor. Suez is visited daily by Dukes, Princes, Senators, Deputies and hosts of foreign doctors. His strength is unimpaired.

LONDON, Sept. 15.—Cholera is gaining ground in Austria. It is worst at Lyle, a village near Agrin. Of the 900 inhabitants of the village, ninety have been stricken and twenty-eight of them died almost immediately. The people distrust the doctors and conceal the sick as far as possible. Doctors are frequently stoned in the streets. In one house a mother and her daughter were found half naked on the bare floor, writhing in the agony of death, and in another room lay the body of the father, upon whom had been thrown the corpse of a son. The villagers are too much frightened to help one another.

Hideous Mass of Humanity.

LAS VEGAS, N. M., Sept. 15.—To-day a train of ten coaches came from the South bearing the Chiricahua and Warm Spring Apaches from the San Carlos reservation in Arizona to Florida. There were 400 of the savages, guarded by three companies of United States Infantry, under command of Colonel Wade and Major Dickie. Although none of them have been on the warpath since Geronimo broke loose, it was well understood they were furnishing his band with ammunition, and there was no telling what moment they might break out. For this reason the Government decided to ship them off to Florida, where they could do no harm. More than half of the savages are squaws and their children, and a more repulsive and hideous mass of humanity has never crowded in an emigrant sleeper before.

Twenty Thousand Dollar Robbery.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., Sept. 15.—Last night burglars entered the residence of Thomas Lowrey, one of the wealthiest citizens here, and made a big haul. The affair was kept quiet till this afternoon, when it leaked out. From all that can be learned, the burglars took all the valuables, consisting of diamonds, gold jewelry and silverware. The amount taken, it is said, will reach \$20,000. The detectives and the police are working up the case.

Two Lives Lost by Drowning.

TOLEDO, O., Sept. 15.—Shortly after four o'clock this afternoon, as Frank Luther, Louis Luther and Charles Mutchler, who had been down below Presque Isle trying to raise the sunken Ida Voigt, were opposite Ironville, their boat was capsized and Louis Luther and Charles Mutchler were drowned. Frank Luther, after clinging to the boat for two hours, was rescued.

Invited to Eberon.

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—General Grant's widow recently wrote a note to Mrs. Cleveland, inviting that lady and the President to stay at her house in Eberon on their way back from the Adirondacks. Yesterday she received a reply from Mrs. Cleveland thanking her kindly for the courtesy, but regretting that pressing business made it necessary for the President to go to Washington direct.

Star Routes to L.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—The Postmaster-General to-day issued advertisements inviting proposals for the performance of service on all star and steamboat routes, aggregating about thirty-six hundred miles in the State of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa and Missouri, from July 1, 1887, to June 30, 1891.

Fatal Railroad Accident.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., Sept. 15.—The engine of an East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia express train was thrown down an embankment near Chattanooga, and Engineer Tom Buckley and Fireman Cal Farries were killed.

All Snake Stories Eclipsed.

BOSTON, Sept. 15.—The vicinity of Clinton, Mass., is terrorized by the story of an immense land snake which steals sheep and calves. The length of the serpent given varies from twenty-five feet to forty-five feet, and the circumference from that of a two-gallon jug to the size of a barrel.

Fatally Gored by a Bull.

CHARDON, O., Sept. 15.—The report of a fatal accident at Montville, eight miles east, to-day, has just been received. A young man named Vanier, while crossing a field, was attacked and terribly gored by a cross bull. One horn entering his right side, just about the hip, and penetrating the liver. His injuries will prove fatal.

An Actress' Great Catch.

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—Miss Edith Kingston, the actress of Daly's company, who arrived with her mother on the steamship Servia, from Liverpool, on Monday, was married at dusk yesterday to George Gould, the eldest son of the one-handed-millionaire.

No Hope for the Entombed Miners.

SCHMIDT, PA., Sept. 15.—A hole was drilled through the twenty-three feet of coal in the cave-in at mine to-day, and instead of air rushing in, as was expected, the gas rushed out. There is now no hope for the miners imprisoned within.

ROBBING A WIDOW.

An Aged Rascal Who Has Lived For Years On a Widow's Pension.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 16.—What was known as the Rhodes pension trial, which has occupied the time of the United States Court in Jefferson City, four days, was concluded this morning. The jury was out a few minutes and returned a verdict of guilty on each of nine charges in the indictments. The case as disclosed by the evidence, is as follows: Thos. Rhodes, a farmer, moved to Polk County from Scott County, many years ago, formed the acquaintance of Mrs. McDaniels, whose husband was killed in war. Rhodes and the widow were married, but when the latter found out her husband had another wife, she refused to live with him. Rhodes then applied for, and procured a pension for Mrs. McDaniels, without the latter's knowledge, and he drew the pension ever since, by having another woman personate her and his wife making affidavits to the pension vouchers. In this manner he has drawn several thousand dollars of the woman's money. Rhodes is seventy years old and quite feeble.

AN AWFUL PLUNGE.

An Engine and Two Cars Go Off a Draw-bridge Into the Mississippi River.

DEMING, ILL., Sept. 16.—An Illinois Central freight engine and two cars plunged off the Dubuque & Danville bridge through the open draw this morning. There is but one span from the eastern end to the draw, and the track here comes on a trestle. As usual, the engine was pulling back to get its heavy train up the grade when out of the tunnel and on the bridge the engineer tried to stop the train, which having been started, he could not stop. The engine plunged, but the engineer was carried over. The cars became detached, and he somehow floated off on it and escaped with slight injuries.

Horrible Work of Train-Wreckers.

SOUTH LYON, MICH., Sept. 16.—Early this morning a loaded freight train was thrown from the track, about half a mile from here, by a rail having been removed from the track. Fireman Ed Newman was killed, his body being terribly mangled. Engineer Thomas Campbell was fatally, and Engineer Thomas Davis seriously injured. The engine and fifteen cars were completely wrecked. Trains are again passing, the wreck having been removed. There is no clue to the train-wreckers. People are greatly excited, and lynching will undoubtedly follow the capture of the wreckers.

Fight With Mexican Revolutionists.

BROWNVILLE, TEX., Sept. 16.—A private telegram from Santa Maria says Commander Vincente Pena, of the revolutionary army, passed there Tuesday morning. He says that on Friday last, when he and Mauricio Cruz, with about fifty-five men, only thirty of whom were armed, were camped fifteen miles south of Brownville, they were attacked by Colonel Hernandez, with three hundred men and completely routed, losing seven men killed and wounded. The revolutionists were surprised while drying their clothing. The revolutionists are taking refuge in Texas.

At the Czar's Feet.

SOFIA, Sept. 16.—In the Sobranje to-day it was resolved, after much opposition, to send a telegram to the Czar saying: "Bulgarians would pray to the Almighty to grant him a long and happy life, and lay down his life for the devotion and fidelity of the Bulgarian people." The hope was also expressed that friendly relations between Bulgaria and Russia would be resumed, and that the Czar will defend Bulgarians in their aspirations for union and independence.

Mining on the Co-Operative Plan.

HUNTSVILLE, MO., Sept. 16.—Mine No. 3, the largest in this vicinity, after being idle more than five months, has just reopened on the co-operative plan. The miners are to have the use of the company's machinery and to pay the latter a royalty of one cent per ton, retaining the balance. The hope was also expressed that friendly relations between Bulgaria and Russia would be resumed, and that the Czar will defend Bulgarians in their aspirations for union and independence.

A Wind-Storm.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Sept. 16.—Destruction by wind-storm to-day is reported from Illinois, Indiana and Southeastern Michigan. In the vicinity of Toledo, Ill., the tornado was very severe. At Terre Haute, Ind., a high wind blew a hurricane for a quarter of an hour. Numerous large buildings were unroofed.

A Woman Dashed to Death.

ENRI, PA., Sept. 16.—Mrs. Mary Godfrey, wife of Rufus Godfrey, a wealthy farmer of Girard Township, left her husband's side last night, and this morning was found at the Nickel-Plate Bridge near by. The unfortunate woman had thrown herself over the precipice, a distance of 150 feet, and was dashed to death.

Expediting Mail Collection.

NEW YORK, Sept. 16.—A company headed by Roscoe Conklyn, Isaac H. Bailey, Peter Townsend Bailey and others, with a capital of \$500,000, has been organized for the purpose of conveying the mails from the different parts of the city to the general post-office by means of pneumatic tubes.

The Maine Election.

ATQUETTA, ME., Sept. 16.—Official election returns from 472 towns are as follows: Bodwell (Rep.), for Governor, 63,115; Edwards (Dem.), 54,751; Clark (Prohibitionist), 3,839; scattering, 192. Bodwell's plurality, 13,331; majority, 3,468.

Deaf Mute Killed by Cars.

KANKAKEE, ILL., Sept. 16.—David Boyce, deaf and dumb, was run over by cars here this morning and instantly killed.

Largest Saw-Mill in the U. S. Burned.

ST. PAUL, Sept. 16.—A special dispatch from Eau Claire, Wis., says: The Chippewa Lumber and Boom Company's saw-mill at Chippewa Falls, the largest in the country, was struck by lightning at two o'clock this morning and completely destroyed. Loss, \$250,000; partially insured.

Another D. Fautler.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 16.—Marshall A. Bates, of the city, cashier of the City of London Fire Insurance Company (limited), of London, and the National and Marine Insurance Company of New Zealand, has defaulted to the amount of \$20,000.

ANOTHER CENTENNIAL.

Governors of the Original Thirteen States Meet in Philadelphia.

The Object is to Arrange for a Celebration of the Centennial in Philadelphia on September 17, 1887.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 17.—As a result of the movement upon the part of Chief Magistrates of the thirteen original States, seven Governors of as many Commonwealths met here to-day to arrange for a fitting observance of the Centennial anniversary of the promulgation of the Constitution of the United States. This centenary will occur on September 17, 1887. The following Governors were present: Pennsylvania; Lee Virginia; Lloyd, Maryland; Stockley, Delaware; Wetmore, Rhode Island; McDaniel, Georgia, and Shepard, of South Carolina. New York was represented by Lieutenant-Governor Jones, New Jersey by a committee of the State Legislature, and Connecticut by ex-Governor Bigelow. At the Continental Hotel Governor Pattison delivered a brief address of welcome. The party then divided into pairs and visited the old State House, and in the room where the Declaration of Independence was signed, under a canopy of the national colors, listened to an address of welcome by Mayor Smith. Carpenter's Hall, the old hall where in 1774 the first Colonial Congress met, was then visited. Letters were read from the Governors of North Carolina, New Hampshire and Massachusetts regretting their inability to attend, but assuring the Governors that they were in sympathy with the movement. A permanent organization was effected by Governor Lee of Virginia, as Chairman, and H. L. Carson as Secretary. A committee consisting of the Governors of Pennsylvania, Delaware, Rhode Island, Maryland and Georgia, were appointed to prepare a plan of celebration.

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION.

The Prime Minister of Roumania Fired at But Another Received the Bullet.

BOUCOVINA, Sept. 17.—M. Bratiano, Roumanian Prime Minister, was shot at last evening by an assassin. He perceived the man's intention in time to spring out of the path of his aim. The bullet struck M. Robesco, a member of the Chamber of Deputies, and wounded him. The assassin was arrested and locked up. He confessed that for political reasons he intended to kill M. Bratiano. The weapon used was a pistol. The attempt to assassinate M. Bratiano produced great excitement among the people. A crowd surrounded the building occupied by the only newspaper here which has been opposing the Prime Minister, blamed the editor for inciting the hostile feeling against him, and smashed all the furniture and fittings belonging to the concern, savagely attacked and wounded two members of the staff and were proceeding to destroy the edifice when the police became masters of the situation and dispersed the mob. This morning a large crowd was assembled at the police station, where the man who attempted to assassinate the Premier Bratiano was locked up, prepared to seize him when the police attempted to take him to court for arraignment and lynch him. The authorities had, however, taken all necessary precautions, and were enabled to disperse the crowd and protect the prisoner.

Starving Negro's Fiendish Exploit.

BOSTON, Sept. 17.—While walking through the Public Garden this afternoon Sylvester Fletcher (colored) picked up a stone and walking up to a baby carriage in which a six-months old child of Wm. Callahan lay sleeping, struck the child a terrific blow on the head, inflicting a fatal wound. Fletcher immediately captured by citizens, and the only excuse he gives is the claim that he was starving, and wanted to be arrested so as to get something to eat.

Seizure of the Pearl Nelson.

OTTAWA, ONT., Sept. 17.—Inquiry at the Customs Department shows that the fishing schooner Pearl Nelson was seized at Princetown for having landed twelve men during the night. The master of the vessel reported that he had been seized by the Customs officer who on board and had everything seized. It is understood that \$300 was deposited as a fine, but as yet the Customs Department have taken no action in the matter.

El Coyote Reported Killed.

GALVESTON, TEX., Sept. 17.—A special to the *Vegetarian* from Texas, says a telegram has been received here stating that the famous rebel chief El Coyote, with his lieutenants, Manuel, Veda and Pena, and six followers, were killed in an engagement with National troops under Colonel Valdez, near Santa Dominga, Mexico, yesterday.

Russian Harvest.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 17.—The official estimates of the Russian harvest show that of winter wheat the yield will be 65,000,000 bushels, a falling off of fully fifty per cent. from last year; the spring wheat crop shows an increase of about forty per cent. or 25,000,000 bushels, while rye also shows a slight increase. The oats crop is estimated at 90,000,000 bushels and the barley crop at 22,000,000, both being up to the full average.

Slight Increase in Business Failures.

NEW YORK, Sept. 17.—The business failures occurring throughout the country during the last seven days number for the United States 152 and for Canada 33, or a total of 185, as compared with a total of 178 last week and 190 the week previous to the last. The casualties in the Pacific States and in Canada are still above the average in number; in other sections of the country they are light.

Horrible Suicide.

HUTCHINSON, KAN., Sept. 17.—James Helmer, an old soldier, was found to-day in his bed with his throat cut and his head nearly haggled off. He lived alone, and is supposed to have committed suicide by using an old butcher-knife. He had probably been dead several days. Cause unknown.

Paying Alex's Debts.

SOFIA, Sept. 17.—The Sobranje has voted a grant of \$500,000 to purchase all of Prince Alexander's property in Bulgaria, retaining from the whole sum \$185,000, with which to liquidate the Prince's indebtedness to the National Bank.

RIOT OVER A MARRIAGE.

Desperate Attack Between Italians and Irish—A Contestant Killed on Either Side.

PITTSBURGH, PA., Sept. 19.—Race hatred was the cause of a riot about one o'clock this afternoon between a number of Italian and Irish residents of the Fourteenth Ward, this city. The quarrel resulted in the shooting of Patrick Constantine and the fatal injury of "Paddy" Rocco, an Italian, whose skull was crushed with an ax. The riot was a sequel to an attack made on Joseph Vernard on Saturday evening. Vernard had incurred the wrath of his neighbors on account of his marriage to an Irish woman. On his road home he was held up against a building and terribly beaten. Vernard claimed to have recognized among his assailants Mike, John and Pat Daly. The victim dragged himself home more dead than alive. This afternoon a gang, headed by the Dalys, demanded admittance to Vernard's house. On being refused admittance the doors were burst open. Then followed a scene of riot and confusion. The frightened Italians were driven in every direction by the intruders, who numbered about twenty. "Paddy" Rocco finally turned on his pursuer, Mike Daly, fighting him savagely, when one of the gang struck Rocco on the head with an ax. His skull was laid open, exposing the brain. His injuries are pronounced fatal. The prostrate form of Rocco, covered with blood, frantically the rioters, who fled, shot was fired into the fleeing mob, and Patrick Constantine fell, the ball of a large caliber revolver having entered his back, passing nearly through his body, and from the effects of which he died at nine o'clock to-night. It is not known who fired the shot. The police have Italians under arrest, and are now searching for the rest of the mob.

Threw Pepper in His Eyes.

LAFAYETTE, IND., Sept. 19.—Late last evening as Harry Snider, a well-known young man, was walking leisurely along the street, chatting with a friend, a young lady came walking rapidly toward them, and when directly in front of them she threw a handful of cayenne pepper into Snider's eyes. Not a word was spoken, and the woman passed on. Snider was hurried away, and his face washed and eyes attended to. They were severely burned, but not permanently injured.

The Money Stuck to His Fingers.

BALTIMORE, Sept. 19.—Douglas Smith, a \$1,000 clerk in the Customs Service in New York City, was locked up at the Central District Police Station to-day, charged with failing to render his accounts for public money received by him as an officer and collector of the United States. His position was in the Postoffice Department.

Blown Afar by a Bursting Boiler.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., Sept. 19.—The boiler of an engine used to run a cider-mill at J. B. Spalding's nursery, near Liverton, exploded yesterday and instantly killed two men. Barney Eling, the engineer, was hurled 120 feet away, and Patrick Kelly, the other victim, was picked up forty feet from the spot.

The Redskins in Florida.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., Sept. 19.—The band of 382 Warm Springs and Chiricahua Indians, bucks, squaws and papooses, from San Carlos Reservation, arrived here to-day. An advance party which arrived on Thursday brought news of deaths to those at Fort Marion, causing a howl of grief and the death dance.

Fatal Railroad Accident.

LEBANON, PA., Sept. 19.—In a collision between two trains at midnight, at Hebron, Misses Katie Stine and Maggie Arnold were fatally injured, and Daniel Light, John Lehman and Miss Mary Schaefer very seriously hurt, and are in a critical condition.

Every Bone in His Body Broken.

OMAHA, NEB., Sept. 19.—Frank Buck, of the cattle firm of Clark & Buck, of Greenwood, this State, was fatally gored by a vicious bull yesterday. He was terribly mangled, not a whole bone being left in his body. One of the animal's horns was run through his neck.

Belligerent Belfast.

LONDON, Sept. 19.—In a riot to-day, between the police and populace in this city, a woman and a man were shot and killed and several wounded. Two serious riots occurred at Liverpool between Orangemen and Nationalists. Many of the rioters were arrested.

A Farmer's Crime.

TROY, N. Y., Sept. 19.—Dexter P. Wagon, a farmer living near here, drove his wife and mother-in-law from the house. When night came he returned and that Wagon had cut the throat of his daughter, aged three years, from ear to ear. After a struggle the madman was secured and committed to jail.

A Valuable Find of Coal in Texas.

EAGLE PASS, TEX., Sept. 19.—A valuable deposit of bituminous coal has been discovered at the depth of 90 feet, on land recently bought by the Southern Pacific Company from General Narajio, on the west side of the Sabana river. The vein is six feet 10 inches thick.

Only \$87,000 Short.

PORTLAND, ME., Sept. 19.—Wm. E. Gould, cashier of the First National Bank of Portland, has been discovered to be a defaulter. The directors believe that the loss to the bank will not exceed \$87,000.

Camp-Meeting Cottages Destroyed.

READING, PA., Sept. 19.—About a dozen cottages were destroyed by an incendiary fire at Johnanna Heights Methodist Camp-meeting Grounds, near this city.

Deliberate Suicide.

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Sept. 19.—John Charlesworth, aged twenty-two, pawned his watch, bought a revolver, went to his father's yard and shot himself dead.

A Druggist's Mistake.

ANDERSON, IND., Sept. 19.—Garrett W. Brown, a druggist, of this place, took a dose of belladonna, supposing it dandelion extract, and is in a dying condition.

House, with Two Children, Burned.

HENON, DAK., Sept. 19.—While their parents were out making hay two little children were burned to death in their home near Highmore, Dak.

The Tornado at Jellit.

JOLIE, ILL., Sept. 19.—With sixteen to twenty buildings demolished by the tornado, not a single person was fatally hurt.

AMERICAN FARMERS,

Speaking Through the National Agricultural Association,

Approve Heartily of the Efforts in Checking the Land Grabbers, and Urge That Care Should Be Taken in Selecting Congressmen Not Antagonistic to Their Interests.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 15.—The American Agricultural and Dairy Association met to-day in their seventh annual convention in this city. Joseph H. Reall opened the convention with a long speech. He stated that the meeting was called to celebrate the most important victory every won for agriculture, the passage of the oleomargarine law; to take action toward retaining and increasing the strength of the agricultural interests in Congress and the State Legislatures, and to discuss the general interests of the farmers, for the purpose of adopting measures to protect and advance them. President Cleveland sent the following:

SARASOTA, TENN., Sept. 12, 1886.
MY DEAR SIR: Your letter of the 10th inst., supplementing our pleasant interview and containing an invitation to attend the National Convention of the American Agricultural and Dairy Association, is received. I should be glad to accept the kind invitation tendered, and avail myself of the opportunity the convention will afford to meet the representatives of an interest so important and valuable as that which the farmers and agriculturists of the country have placed in the hands of this interest to the welfare and prosperity of our land is so intimate that its proper and legitimate care and protection is, in my opinion, a patriotic duty. This consideration elevates the responsibility of those in any way interested with our farming industry beyond the plane of mere selfishness, and should induce conservatism and moderation. Demands made in such a spirit can not fail to attract a just and appreciative response from those who make and execute our laws. I hope that the convention may be productive of the best results to the agricultural industry as well as to all the people of our country; and though plans already made and engagements already agreed upon will prevent my accepting your invitation to be present, I shall be much interested in its objects and purposes. Yours, sincerely,
JOSEPH H. REALL, President, etc.

Upon reassembling there was some discussion on the oleomargarine question. The Committee on Resolutions reported as follows, and the report was adopted:

"WHEREAS, The agricultural interests and welfare of this country are the property of industrious citizens and are of the first importance, agricultural legislation, or legislation designed to protect and promote the conditions of agriculturists and shield agricultural industries, and prevent the injuries and depressing influences resulting from the inroads of fraud, is and always will be desirable. Therefore, be it

"Resolved, That we maintain and retain what has been secured to the farmers in the past, and to secure what may be desirable in the future, this convention, representing 8,000,000 farmers in this country, in the interest of pure legislation, the property of the country and the welfare of the farmer, urges for the best consideration of the farmers and people at large of the country that no man should be elected to Congress who by his past record and present reputation is antagonistic to the prosperity of the great industry of the country. And be it further

"Resolved, That we, the farmers of the United States in convention assembled, do recognize the earnest, intelligent and effective labor of our friends in Congress in securing the passage of the oleomargarine law, and that it is the sense of this convention that such friends are entitled to and deserve the unqualified support of the farmers, regardless of party lines or considerations.

"Resolved, That it is the duty of the General Government to use all its powers by legislation and by treaty to protect every dollar invested against our products, and to extend the area and volume of our productions. "Resolved, That the immense interests of agriculture demand a Secretary of Agriculture, with the right and privilege of a Cabinet Minister.

Mr. Burroughs, President of the New Jersey State Board of Agriculture, offered the following, which was adopted:

"Resolved, That we hereby call upon the Congress of the United States to revise the tariff laws of the country as to protect the agricultural industries of the country by imposing such duties for the protection of products as to curtail, if not entirely stop foreign competition in these products.

The committee then offered the following additional resolutions, which were adopted:

"Resolved, In view of the injury done to the wool-growing industry of the country by the reduction of 10 per cent. on the value of wool in 1880, the effect has been a depression of \$157,000,000 in this product, and that industry is no longer remunerative, therefore